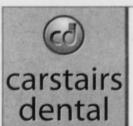
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# Ties to Japan made official

BY TIM DENOUDSTEN

Didsbury Review

With a few pen strokes, the link between Didsbury and Miki Town, Japan became official on April 28. Several dignitaries from Japan,

including the mayor of Miki Town the principal of Miki Junior High School, were among that celebrated the twinning of the two towns in a ceremony at the Didsbury 5-0 Club.

"I'm very much looking forward to the future and to the continued exchanges of our students," said Didsbury mayor Brian Wittal. "The twin-

ning of our two communities highlights the bond that has been built between our two communities over the past five years."

"Everyone in Miki Town including myself is extremely happy to finally fwin with Didsbury," agreed Miki Town mayor Osamu Ishihara through an interpreter.

This relationship between the towns, which has since seen a number of students from both countries experiencing a new culture through the Maple Leaf Exchange

Program, began over a decade ago.
"In 1997-98 I met with the dean of the faculty of medicine from [Japan's] Kagawa University and asked them to find a suitable country and a suitable town to be partners with us," said Ishihara, who visited Didsbury in July 2001 and met with then-mayor Dorothy Moore to discuss the possibility of an exchange program. Then, in October 2003, he officially made the request to begin a student exchange, with the first pupils from Japan arriving in 2005.

Miki Junior High School has since hosted a number of Didsbury students over the years through the Maple Leaf Exchange Program.

"Our exchange started with the stu-dents [so] it's the students that brought us to be twinned today," said principal Shinji Tanaka. "It's really quite a natural relationship.

In Japan, the municipality ultimately has authority over the school system

which led Town of Didsbury administration to become very involved in arranging exchanges.

"It's been amazing for me," said Manager of Legislative Services Luana Smith, who has been spearheading the twinning initiative from the town's end.

This is not only a twinning ceremony but a celebration of friendship...and our desire to strengthen our bond in years to come."

The exchange program has had significant value not only for the students and Didsbury but also for the county as a whole, noted Mountain View County reeve Al Kemmere.



HISTORIC - Miki Town mayor Osamu Ishihara (left) and Didsbury mayor Brian Wittal sign documents officially proclaiming the twinning of

"This is about people meeting and sharing, not only ideas, but more impor-tantly, their cultures," he said. "We all benefit from the cultural awareness, whether it is one of the participants in the exchange or the community as a

The twinning was done through the Alberta/Japan Twin Municipalities Association.

Harold Pereverseff, president of the Lethbridge Twinning Society, an A/JTMA member organization, applauded the twinning of Miki Town and Didsbury.

"We're really appreciative of the fact that they're taking this step," he said.

"It just proves basically that these relationships are important.

"It starts at the grassroots; that's what the most important thing is."

Officials from Didsbury will visit Miki Town next year.



**SPARRING** – Hall Perison of Didsbury spars with Calgary opponent Andy Kadatz as they go for their black belts at a provincial testing event held in Olds, May 2.



# Council briefs

### Hard times hit town

The economic crunch has hit the Town of Didsbury, which recently laid off two employees.

The move is a cost-saving measure in the wake of a slowdown in development, said Mayor Brian Wittal, adding that the town examined how it could make maximum use of its staff.

"Unfortunately, part of that was looking how we could reduce costs and where we could do it where it would have the least impact on services to our residents.

"We have to be cognizant of the spending of the tax dol-lars. If there's ways to reduce and save you have to look at

The move will save the town about \$60,000 this year and

\$80,000 next year. However, Wittal said he is optimistic that there will be some growth and a slow turnaround in development over the course of the year.

# Natural corridor transition to con-

Council decided to maintain the Southridge Valley Park, which is being transitioned into a natural green space partial maintenance standards.

Several neighbouring residents have contacted the town in opposition to the transition, which has now gone

through one complete season.

The path of the creek bed that runs through the valley full maintenance somewhat difficult, indicated Manager of Parks and Recreation Byron Sayer in his written request to council.

Full maintenance of the park costs the town approxi-mately \$4,320. Costs for partial maintenance are estimated at about 10 to 15 per cent of that.

"The cost to appease eight people is rather high," noted councillor Ernie Ryckman.

# Company of record named

Council has appointed ISL Engineering of Red Deer as its 'company of record' for projects as of May 1.

CAO Roy Brown stressed that the arrangement is not a binding contract on either party.

"I recommend that we go back every three or four years to make sure we get value for the money we pay," he said.

# Hospital's potential under assessment

BY TIM DENOUDSTEN

Town of Didsbury officials and area doctors met Health with Alberta Services recently to discuss the ongoing assess-ment of rural hospitals and the future of Didsbury Hospital.

"We had some good discussion around the Didsbury Hospital and what some of the potential for the hospital," said mayor Brian Wittal of the meeting with Dr. Congden of AHS.

Unlike hospitals in Calgary the local facility still has space, which could create different opportunities.

One of the things that was talked about was...to see if maybe there are some internal medicine specialists that would be willing to do a clinic out here a couple of days a week," said Wittal, adding that Dr. Congden is aware of the importance of the hospital to this area.

"She's always felt that we provide a valuable service at this hospital," said Wittal.

importance of Didsbury's emergency ward was also stressed at the meeting

"Based on the numbers

we have a quite a busy little emergency ward, but we are drawing quite a number of individuals from North Calgary and the Airdrie area up to us, which I think is a good thing," said Wittal. People realize that the distance to travel isn't a lot greater but the time waiting in the emergency room is a lot less, possibly." EMS care.

Alberta Health Services is currently undertaking a study to determine how best to utilize the various rural hospitals.

In part because of the complexity of integrating

Everybody's talking about what's in the classifieds.

the health regions, including the merging Emergency Medical (EMS) into Services Alberta Health, the results of that study are not expected to be released for some time, noted Wittal, adding that an noted emergency room would allow for more effective

"In order for them to maximize what some of the EMS workers can do. they need a facility to work out of," he said. "You need rural hospitals that have emergency wards open for that to happen."

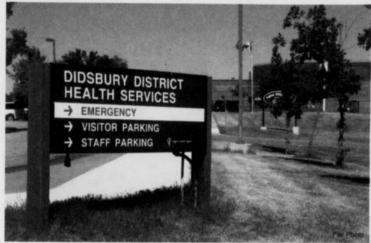
Wittal stressed that no decisions regarding the hospital's future have yet been made

"There's been no determination made as to what's going to happen. There won't be until they are able to study all these things," he said.

"It's going to be well into

summer before we get anywhere near an evaluation or anything that's complete."

"At the end of the day, if we can continue to operate our emergency service es out of [the hospital], l'll be happy."



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# Schools in phase four of pandemic plan

Focus on preventing spread of H1N1

BY TIM DENOUDSTEN

As officials with the Chinook's Edge School Division monitor the spread of the H1N1 Influenza A virus (a.k.a. the 'swine flu'), their focus remains on establishing preventative measures

"We are watching what the World Health Organization , as well as our own government, does," explained Jim government, Gibbons, superintendent of schools with the division.

Chinook's Edge has moved into phase four of six of its pandemic plan, which means schools are reviewing their indi-vidual pandemic plans, monitoring sickness within their own schools and ensuring isolation rooms are available if the division moves into phases five and six.

'We sent information home with par-

ents (and) we will have a meeting with airports. our staff," said Didsbury High School principal Garth Dagg. "We go through

to make sure that first of all, our staff are aware of how we'll handle it if it goes to stage four."

Although the division has now restricted all travel to Mexico. a trip by the DHS cross-country team to a meet in Spokane, Washington May 1-4 ahead planned.

"The risk for those going to Spokane (was) minimal," said Dagg, noting that the small group travelled by bus to the event and thus didn't pass through any

"If there are more outbreaks, we would look at restricting travel more," said

Gibbons

"We are watching what the World Health Organization, as well as our own government, does."

 $CESD\ superintendent$ 

Gibbons explained that phase five of the pandemic plan means restricting sick chil-dren and teachers from coming JIM GIBBONS school's community school,

lation rooms. Phase

six incorporates the same methods, but the division would expect to see more children and adults sick and their illness would be more

The school division prepared many of

its pandemic procedures during the avian flu outbreak several years ago, indicated Dagg.

"At this point we don't see ourselves moving into phase five," said Gibbons. "For the most part, it's business as usual. This is just a reminder to maintain all of the precautions.

To that end, area school officials are reminding students to maintain good respiratory etiquette to help prevent the spread of germs by washing their hands regularly and coughing or sneezing into

their shirtsleeves instead of their hands.
"We're really stressing preventative
measures right now," said Dagg.
For more information about the school

division's Pandemic Influenza Plan, visit the CESD website at www.chi-nooksedge.ab.ca and click on the 'Pandemic Preparedness' link

# Habitat boosted by provincial funds

BY ANDREW WILD

For the Review

A partnership with the provincial government is good news for local Habitat for Humanity projects, potentially even

one for Didsbury. Last week the province announced an initiative to provide \$6 million in funding to help Habitat for Humanity with 67 housing projects across the province, including

According to Chuck Brinton, chair of the

Mountain View chapter of Habitat, the announce-ment from the provincial government is a step in the right direction not only for the local build, but for affordable housing initiatives across the

province.
"We found out a couple of weeks so we weren't surprised by the announcement," he said. But it is still exciting

The funding comes the provincial t For Proposal from Request fund which is part of an

intiative to create more than 11,000 affordable housing units across the province by 2012.

According to Brinton the portion of funding for the Olds project is approximately \$200,000. The local build features two duplexes that will house four families on the old RCMP property on 56th Avenue.

The first of the two

units is nearing comple tion with planning for the second duplex already well under way

We're anxious to get

going on it," said Brinton of the second unit. How exactly the funds

are utilized on the project is something the Mountain View chapter board will determine at a future meeting.

Needless to say, it will be very helpful in seeing the project th explained Brinton. through,

The local chapter is currently working on its

third build in the county. Previous builds were held in Cremona and Sundre with plans in the works to have the next

build take place in

Didsbury. Our mandate it to try

and build in each of our communities," Brinton

He hopes they can get projects in Carstairs and potentially a rural project

in the county itself some time in the future. The chapter will be

meeting in the near future with the county council to discuss affordable housing initiatives.

Other communities that will benefit from the provincial grant of \$6 milinclude Calgar, Camrose Calgary, Edmonton. Brooks, Lethbridge and Red Deer.



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# Opinion

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# Sundre horse killings disgusting

MICHAELA LUDWIG



Disgusting. That's the only way I can describe the news that three more wild horses in the Sundre area have been shot – a young stallion, a yearling and a mare that had partially delivered a foal.

In my opinion, the horse is one of the world's most gracious and elegant creatures. They are powerful, beautiful and majestic. There's a saying I've heard a hundred times: "The outside of the horse is good for the inside of a man." And there's never been a truer saying.

So for someone to line up one of these creatures into his or her crosshairs and pull the trigger is something I cannot comprehend. And if that person, by chance, is reading this column, there's one thing I'd like to know: What is wrong with you? Looking at those pictures made me want to cry so there must be something, anything, inside that person that is truly misguided.

I have heard that wild horses can cause issue for farmers – they get into their fields, chew up or trample down their crops. But if that's your problem, get a dog or build a fence. Or call animal control to round them up and move them to a more remote location. Shooting them should never, ever be an option. There are so few wild horses left in the world, we should be thankful that any at all exist in Canada – not consider them a nuisance and shoot them.

I have known a lot of horses in my lifetime, some that were kind of crazy and others that I could never forget. But even with all of my horse experience, when I saw a small herd of wild horses at McLean Creek near Calgary last summer, it took my breath away.

The history of the horse dates back hundreds of years. And throughout much of that time, the horse has been an even-tempered and dependable servant for mankind. They have carried Native Americans across the plains, soldiers into war and helped the RCMP in their duties. And they continue to carry countless children on their first ride right up to today.

The horse is an amazing athlete and can be seen in arenas around the world coming to a sliding stop in the reining class, leaping three-foot fences in the jumping class or zipping around barrels at rodeos. They are even part of the Olympic games. A horse is the first source of responsibility for many children and in return for their oats and clean straw, they offer unconditional love.

So for someone to take this amazing creature and simply put a bullet through its head is heinous indeed. It's downright disgusting. And he or she should be most ashamed.

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# Commentary

# Flu outbreak sparks serious political accusations

DAN SINGLETON

For the first time in living memory the danger of a possible worldwide pandemic has surfaced with the ongoing spread of the deadly human swine flu.

Having already spread from Mexico across the world, including to Alberta, the flu has the potential to cause widespread illness and death for millions of people.

While health officials here have been quick to recommend that residents take precautions, accusations have now surfaced that the Stelmach government's health policies have left the province dangerously vulnerable to the illness.

And if it turns out that government inaction in preparing Alberta for the pandemic leads to unnecessary illness or even deaths, it will be long, long time before Albertans will forgive those responsible for leaving the province unprepared.

Dr. David Swann, the leader of the opposition Liberals, says he has no doubt that the Tories have been dis-

astrously slack when it comes to preparing the health system for a

pandemic response.

"The Stelmach administration has allowed our public health-care system to deteriorate, compromising our capacity to deal with a pandemic," said Swann. "The Stelmach administration has disabled our health system's ability to deal with extra demands like pandemics."

The government must immediately halt a recent physician hiring freeze and "take rapid steps to increase the capacity of the health system: more beds, more health-care professionals, more public health officials with skills to combat pandemics," he said.

Swann's accusations that the government's policies have quite literally put Albertans' lives at risk are certainly the most serious charges that could be levelled against any government.

If the accusations prove to be untrue, then Swann has made a serious political error, creating panic among the general population at

time when everyone has a vested interest in remaining calm and diligent in taking precautions. If, however, the accusations of

If, however, the accusations of government mismanagement on a colossal scale turn out to be true, the Stelmach Tories may very quickly find themselves the target of an extremely hostile population facing the most serious health crisis seen in many decades.

For his part the province's top doctor says Albertans should do their part in helping stop the spread of the disease by contacting the HealthLink hotline if they develop fludice symptoms

flu-like symptoms.

"Those with flu-like symptoms can help prevent the spread of illness by washing their hands frequently and practising proper cough and sneeze etiquette," said Dr. Andre Corriveau.

While health-care providers continue their work in fighting this outbreak, the first priority of every politician must be promoting public health – only after that is done should political battles over responsibility be fought.

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# Letter to the editor

# Planting wheat not just a single/dual desk marketing decision

Would wheat acreage in Western Canada really soar if there were an open market for Prairie wheat?
The Western Canadian Wheat Growers Association

(WCWGA) says so, and points to Ontario as evidence

In fact, the general upward trend in Ontario's wheat acreage began decades before the end of Onfario's single desk for wheat in 2003.

If an Ontario farmer chooses to plant wheat, it likely has more to do with the price of corn, the price of fertilizer, and fall planting conditions.

The WCWGA compares Ontario's 2002 harvested wheat acreage to that of 2008 and attributes the increase to an

However, seeded acres are obviously a better indication of farmers' intentions.

The last time Ontario farmers sowed wheat in a single desk environment was the fall of 2002, when they seeded one million acres to wheat

In 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2008, they seeded significantly fewer acres to wheat. Was this also because of the demise of the single desk?

The truth is that fundamentally different market factors make it hard to compare wheat production in Ontario and on the Prairies in any meaningful way.

Ontario grows more soft wheat; the Prairies grow more hard wheat. Ontario wheat is sold close to home; Prairie

If the WCWGA is interested in a valid comparison of heat acreage trends, it should look to the U.S. northern tier states where farmer decisions are motivated by similar market factors.

For the past decade, wheat acreage in the northern tier states has moved in unison with wheat acreage in Western Canada.

Chair, CWB board of director Swift Current, Sask.

# Co-operation critical in the development of education

IAN TAYLOR

When I returned to the Chinook's Edge board of education in 2007, after a three-year absence, one of the changes I noticed was a much greater degree of cooperation between the division and other agencies within its boundaries

Part of this has come from government encourage ment to avoid duplication of services for the sake of economy, and part from a realization that no school "is an island entire unto itself."

Recently, a group from our division, led by the superintendent, visited England to study the way child and community services there, including education, have been brought under one umbrella. The most recent thinking on successful education is that it should be a cradle to grave process and not simply kindergarten to Grade 12. That theme will probably be one of those that emerge from Minister of Education Dave Hancock's search for new directions for Alberta education in the 21st century.

The highest profile cooperative venture by Chinook's

Edge has been the Community Learning Centre in Olds. By partnering initially with Olds College we were able to access more programs and better facilities for our high school students. Along the way other partners came on board, including the Town of Olds, Bell Canada, the health unit, and Mountain View County. Through the counties, our smaller communities have become involved with developing Community Fergusary Sites (high text), real-time video conference.

Engagement Sites (high tech, real-time video conferencing), not only for school subjects but also for postsecondary, health, counselling and employment courses. Eventually all our communities will have these

engagement sites. Five are now complete in Sundre, Cremona, Delburne, Bowden and River Glen in Red

Other examples of cooperation include child care partnerships with towns and a mental health partner-ship pilot project that allowed us to hire a coordinator to create wellness programs for children and youth in Sundre and Olds. Fundraising by Spruce View resulted in a new shop facility while Delburne has a communityfunded fitness centre in the school.

When River Valley School in Sundre was modernized, south portion of the building went to the town for a library, community gym, neighbourhood place, and day care. The new primary school in Carstairs will also incorporate the town library as well as a community engagement site.

In Didsbury, we are lucky to have a mayor and council who support our schools in many ways and see our more than 1,000 students as future citizens and assets for our community. We are currently formalizing the use of each other's facilities in a joint use agreement and, of course, recently traded the site of the old high school to the Town of Didsbury. Such cooperation as I've cited can, in the long run,

only be beneficial to the communities involved.

The opinions expressed here are my own and not necessarily those of the board. If you wish to contact me about educational matters you may phone at 403-335-8575 or e-mail me at nanatee@telusplanet.net. Ian Taylor is the Chinook's Edge trustee for

Didsbury and area and currently serves as the chairman of the CESD board of education.

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# Community News

# Didsbury 4-H club updates

### West Didsbury Club News

March and April have been very busy months for the West Didsbury 4-H club. On March 14, we worked at the Westway bull sale serving lunch. On March 15 we had our district curling 'fun-spiel.' It was a lot of fun but cold too!! And speaking of fun, some of our members attended the district fun day at Pioneer Ranch Camp where we did lots of fun camp things. On

April 5we helped out at the Didsbury Trade Show running the admission table.

Clip, clip! We had a clipping demonstration and a showing demonstration on April 6 after we toured everyone's farm looking at the projects.

We are now getting ready for our club Heifer Show and Mock Steer Show on May 9 and the District Heifer show in Olds on May 16. And, last but not least, our Steer

Show and Sale is on May 20th at the Carstairs Arena. Come out and see Alberta beef at its best!

Submitted By Mytayla Miller and

Brittany Scott

### **Prairie Partners 4-H** Multi-club News

April was a very busy month. On April 4,

the juniors and intermediates went to Pioneer Lodge for their Fun Day. Some of the activities were horseback riding, archery, wall climbing and predator and prey. Our Mock Show was on April 19. Everyone had a good time and the cattle did well. We are also doing another Barnyard Safari at Aspen Ridge Lodge for the residents.

Submitted by Katie Crawford

# Church to host shoe show for women's shelter

If you love shoes, come check out some neat Bethel at shoes Evangelical Missionary Church at 7 p.m. on Church at 7 p.m. on Saturday, May 9 and sup-port the YWCA Women's Shelter. "Walk a mile in her shoes" is the theme of fashion show fundraiser, which aims to raise money for women dealing with domestic violence, homelessness and

> of this great community!

Things are tough right now; these ladies are having a hard time (and) they need help," explains event co-organizer Angela Pratt, adding that economic downturns can lead to an escalation in family vio-

"When times are hard, a lot of families turn on each other with their frus-trations," she says.

attend the fashion show at the church -located along Hwy. 580 between Carstairs and Cremona but a freewill offering to support the women's shelwill be taken during the event.

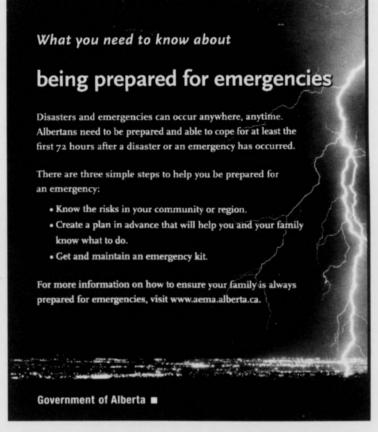
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CLEAN - A Town of Didsbury street sweeper cleans town roads on Thursday, April 30 to prepare them for maintenance, including line repainting and pot hole repairs over the coming weeks and months. According to Manager of Public Works Charlie Macdonald, major repairs are planned for truck route roads, including 19 St., 23 St. and 15 Ave.







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For more info or to register, call DNP at 403-335-8719

# WATER CONSERVATION KITS & RAIN BARRELS

The Town of Didsbury is offering a limited amount of water conservation kits to Town of Didsbury residents for \$5.00 (including GST). These kits include: 1.5 gallon per minute kitchen aerator, 1.5 gallon per minute bathroom aerator, Leak detection kit with dye tab, Toilet tank bank, Water wheel, Water flow measuring bag and 1.25 gallon per minute chrome shower head. These kits are available now at the Town Office. Limit of one kit per household please

Starting May 11th, 50-gallon/205 litre rain barrels will also be available at a subsidized price of \$35.00 (plus GST) for Town of Didsbury residents. Limit of one barrel at the discounted rate, all subsequent barrels' cost is \$50.00 (plus GST). Rain barrels are also available for non residents at a cost of 50.00.

Town of Didsbury residents will be required to show proof of residency.

For more information, please visit our website www.didsbury.ca or call the main office at 403-335-3391 between 8:30am and 4:30pm (weekdays).

# ROAD CLOSURE NOTICE FOR DIDSBURY SHOW AND SHINE Saturday, May 9, 2009 - 7:00 am to 4:00 pm

Temporary closure of the following locations:

- 20th Street from 20th Avenue north to 22th Avenue
- 20th Street from 20th Avenue south to 17th Avenue
- $19^{th}$  Avenue from  $20^{th}$  Street west to  $21^{st}$  Street

Please watch for barricades and respect the pedestrian traffic

# SPRING CLEAN-UP

In partnership with the community, the Town of Didsbury is sponsoring the Annual Spring Clean-up scheduled for the week of May 11 - 16th, 2009.

Local Schools and the Didsbury Scouting group will be clean-sweeping the whole community, playgrounds and green spaces

Residents are encouraged to clean up their properties throughout the week and take advantage of the free landfill day on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> from 9am - 1pm.

In order to access the landfill site for free, you will be required to pick up a tag (with proof of residency) during the week of May 11 - 15<sup>th</sup> between 8am and 4pm at Public Works located at 2309-19 Street. \*\*NOTE: For residents with mobility issues, curb side pick up can be arranged for a \$20 fee.

Regular household waste, household hazardous waste, waste oil and scrap metal will be accepted free of charge at the landfill site between the hours of 9am and 1pm on Saturday May 16'

Any Freon containing appliances and propane tanks will be charged accordingly at the landfill site.

The Town of Didsbury has a Recycle depot located at 2311 - 19 Street. Recycling is also available at the landfill site.

To assist with yard clean-up, a grass and leaf bin will be available at the Recycle depot in Didsbury in the spring and fall (May 15 - June 15th and September 15th - October

For more information, to pick up a tag or for a list of what is accepted on Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup> at the landfill site, please call the Town of Didsbury Public Works at 403-335-8343, check the Town of Didsbury ads in the Didsbury Review or online information at www.didsbury.ca.

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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Application deadline: May 15, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

Please apply with resume to: Luana Smith, Manager Legislative Services

Box 790, Didsbury, AB, T0M 0W0 Fax: (403) 335-9794

Email: Ismith@didsbury.ca

### Didsbury Memorial Complex - Customer Service Representatives

The Town of Didsbury is currently accepting applicants for Customer Service Representatives.

Applicants must posses a passion for people and have the ability to delivery exceptional mer service. A background in cash handling would be an asset

Competition will remain open until suitable candidates have been found. Please apply with resume to:

Byron Sayer, Manager of Parks and Recreation

Box 790

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Email: bsayer@didsbury.ca

Please visit the Town of Didsbury website for complete Job Descriptions www.didsbury.ca

# NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

**BEGINNING MAY 2009 - THE TOWN OF** DIDSBURY WILL NO LONGER ACCEPT PAYMENT FOR MUNICIPAL TAXES BY CREDIT CARDS (VISA & MASTERCARD).

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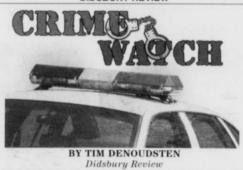
At about 1:30 a.m. on April 23, police responded to the scene of a two-vehicle collision between two tractor-trailers on the QEII Hwy. about four kilometres north of the Carstairs overpass. No one was injured in the collision.

"It was just treacherous driving conditions at the time due to a snow storm," said Didsbury RCMP Cpl. Jeff Jacobson.

The icy road conditions also caused several other tractor-trailers to 'jack-knife' on the highway. All lanes of the highway were closed for about 30 minutes but were fully operational in both directions by 6:20 a.m., although one tractor-trailer was still in the median at that time.

### Gas stolen

At about 7 p.m. on April 27, police received a complaint of a gas-and-dash at the Didsbury Fas Gas. The



three occupants. The male driver was noted to be wearing a grey sweatshirt and black baseball cap. The

# Picnic table smashed

At about 9 p.m. on April 28, police received a complaint of a smashed picnic table at the day-use area at Hillier's Dam near Hwy. 582.

The complainant also indicated that the main gate of the day-use area appeared to have been struck by a vehicle and that the gate's lock had been cut.

### Lab equipment stolen

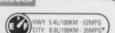
On the morning of April 29, police received a report hat some lab equipment had been stolen from a locked truck parked in the Tanglewood Acres subdivision near Westcott Rd.

The value of the stolen equipment is estimated at

If you have any information about any of these incidents, please contact Didsbury RCMP at 403-



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# Jewelry store robber still at large

BY PAUL FREY

Olds RCMP is considering publicly releasing a photo of the suspect in the April 23 robbery of Stevens Jewellers in an attempt to find and arrest the Olds

A warrant for Jason Rowland's arrest was issued in the days following a brazen jewelry store heist in his hometown during which the store's owner was tied up and sustained injuries trying to free his employees.

Rowland, aged 29, has been charged with three counts of unlawful confinement, one count of robbery with violence and one count of assault in relation to the robbery.

Police were on scene within two minutes of receiv ing a call for assistance at Stevens Jewellers shortly after 10 a.m. on April 23. The robbery was in progress, with the suspect reportedly escaping out the back door

of the business into the alley with merchandise.
Police estimated from the time they arrived on scene until the investigation moved elsewhere in the community to be about 10 minutes.

Within 15 minutes, six officers from area detachments had arrived on scene.

Staff Sgt. Morton said one of the problems police had in securing the area after they blocked off 50 Street was the situation didn't last long enough for enough re-

inforcements to arrive to completely close it off.

Later on in the day, a HAWCS helicopter from the Calgary Police Service was called in to assist. As of yesterday, Rowland was still at large.

Morton said the RCMP may publish photos of suspects if they believe it advances the investigation.

As of yesterday, he said police hadn't gotten to that

stage in this investigation. He said the police were considering releasing a photo sometime this week.

"There's a variety of different criteria that would apply, and they vary from incident to incident but . . . art of the problem is coming up with a photo that's of value. We don't want to give a photo that's two or three years old and we know doesn't provide us with a good option," he said.

Store owner Phil Stevens was back at work just a day after the perpetrator of a brazen robbery left him with a badly bruised face complete with five stitches and short thousands of dollars in merchandise. Stevens has been robbed 10 times before during his

lengthy career, but never involving a face-to-face



GUN DRAWN - Didsbury RCMP Const. Kent Shaw has his gun drawn as he takes cover behind a uptown business before entering an alley while a robbery is in process at Stevens Jewellers, shortly after 10 a.m. Thursday.

frontation

It started with an unusual phone call April 22

"I got a call Wednesday from a man claiming to be Greg at the Calgary Herald wanting to do an inter-view," said Stevens.

The reporter said he was profiling businesses in lds. He wanted to meet Stevens at his home. Stevens insisted they meet at the store. "Greg" phoned back and they agreed to meet Thursday morning at a different location. Stevens showed up, but there was no reporter.

While Stevens was waiting for the alleged reporter, store employee Diane Uphill said the suspect came in the front door of the 50th Ave. store in disguise while she was in her office.

The man, who wore aviator sunglasses and had a kerchief over his face and a long Australian coat and hat, was coughing and moaning. Uphill and the other employee of the store approached him and asked him if he needed help.

"That's when he stood up and came forward and basically told us what was happening," she said. She said he had somehting concealed in his pocket which

the staff thought could be a bomb, based on how he was acting.

The suspect then directed the two lone employees to go back into the office and "phone Mr. Stevens on his cell phone and tell him that Greg from the Calgary Herald would not be meeting him.

The suspect handed the employees an oversized duf-fel bag and directed them to take a note out of the bag that stated the store was closed for inventory and to hang it on the door.

As we were reading (the sign) a customer came in and he took a step back into the side office so the customer wouldn't see him," Diane said.

The employees asked the customer to leave stating they were closed for inventory loud enough so the suspect could hear. Quietly, Uphill asked the customer if he could please phone the police.

The customer left the store, they hung the sign and locked the door.

The suspect directed the other employee to start emptying diamonds into the bag. Meanwhile, Diane went back into her office (without the suspect), got inventory that was on her desk, and dialed 9-1-1 from her cell phone on her desk. After she dialed 9-1-1 she said she immediately went to the front of the store and gave the suspect the inventory.

Sensing something wasn't right, Stevens raced back to the store, interupting the robbery.

He was tied up, was able to break free, tied up again, and engaged in a scuffle with the suspect, allowing the two employees to flee store.



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Sundre RCMP Const. Wes Bensmiller and Sgt. Percy Leipnitz investigate the scene, Wednesday moming, where three feral or wild horses were shot illegally Tuesday, west of Sundre, near the Red Deer Ranger Station on the Coal Camp Road.



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# Horses shot, police seek tips in killings

BY DAN SINGLETON

A week after three more feral horses were shot and killed west of Sundre, police say they are very interested in receiving any public tips that might help them find the person or persons who have apparently decided to turn the west county into a

shooting gallery.
"We're have a few tips so far," Sundre RCMP Sgt. Percy Leipnitz said Monday. "And we are looking for more.

Asked if he is worried that people travelling or working in the foothills west of Sundre may be in danger from the shooter or shooters, Leipnitz said no.

"Whoever did that was shooting at the horses," said Leipnitz. "I don't think they would be shooting at some one riding a quad or some-thing. I don't think that would be a concern. Nobody is going to shoot when there witnesses around right?"

The latest killings, includ-ing of a pregnant mare that aborted her foal after being shot, were discovered on a hillside close to the Red Deer Ranger Station on Coal Camp Road shortly after 6 p.m. on April 28.

More than two dozen of the Sundre-area horses have been shot and left to rot been made in any of the

RCMP and the RCMP's K Division livestock investig tor are investigating the killings.

Investigators have deter-mined that the horses killed last week were shot about 500 yards from the Coal Camp Road and fell 50-100 yards apart.

"It appears they were shot from the road," said Sundre RCMP A/Cpl. Wes Bensmiller. "Information obtained from local witnesses leads us to believe the horses were killed in the late afternoon Tuesday (April

'It's a very popular area for everyone, hunters, campers, horseback riders, hunters, things like that, so people need to be cautious and report anything suspicious to the RCMP right away."

Doug Doshewnek, with Sunset Guiding and Outfitting, was the first man to attend the scene after a passerby saw the horses lying on the hill and reported it at the nearby Mountain Aire Lodge.

It is a Criminal Code offence to shoot any wild or feral horse in Alberta.

We've just got to find whoever is responsible," said Sundre Mayor Roy Cummings. "It's hard to kind of thing can still happen. It's been going on far too long. I would be nice if someone would step for-ward with some kind of a lead to help find those responsible.

Asked if he believes the many wild horse shootings west of Sundre over the past five years are related, Sgt. Leipnitz said investigators haven't ruled out a connec tion.

"Whether they are or they aren't we don't know," said Leipnitz. "We are relying on the information we get and hopefully we will get some information that will shed some light on it. It could be the same person or it might all be separate incidents.
"You hear stories that

some people like the horses. some people don't like the horses. Who knows who would be doing this. It's hard to say if they are rela ed or not. They could all be separate as far as we know. We haven't ruled anything out.

There are no plans for the police to offer a reward for information about the information

killings, he said.
Police are asking anyone with information about any of the horse killings to call Crime Stoppers or contact Sundre RCMP at 1-403-638-





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Myrna Watt 403-335-3745. \* To Rent the Lone Pine Hall, which is located east of Didsbury, contact Jo-Anne Hannah at 403-335-4190. \* To Rent Mountain View Community Hall for meetings, community events, family or group reunions call John 403-335-8860. \* The Fallen Timber Community Hall offers an ideal place for quiet safety meetings or fabulous social activities. Please contact Esther McMullen for info at 403-637-2270.

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Palliative Care Week National Hospice Palliative Care Week, May 3 to 9, is an opportunity for all Canadians to reflect on the importance

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ed from their loved ones and at times far from home.

"It is alarming how many dying Canadians do not have access to quality end-of-life care," stated Dr. Larry Librach, President of the CHPCA. "Hospice palliative care is a human right," he continued. "We should all have

access to health care when we need it. We should all have access to quality care from the beginning to the end of

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It is crucial that the Canadian healthcare system have the programs and services in place to provide the quality end-of-life care that Canadians need.

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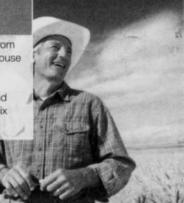
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# h in badminton **DHS** duo takes fourt

BY TIM DENOUDSTEN

Didsbury Review

Watch the birdie!
Didsbury High School's Zac McCargar and Colby
Wenckowski did just that at the badminton provincial
finals held in St. Paul May 2-3.

The pair advanced to the Senior Boys Doubles bronze medal game before being ousted by a squad from Beaverlodge Regional High School by scores of 19-21 and 17-21

"It could have gone either way; we just missed more than they did," said McCargar following the match, not-ing that this is not unfamiliar territory for the Didsbury

We made it to that bronze medal match and came up short last time, so we were kind of hoping we could win

it this year."

The Grade 12 student, who has been playing bad-

minton since Grade 6, said that he enjoys the competitiveness and sportsmanship between players in the

"It's kind of a gentlemen's sport but very intense, especially when you get into the higher levels," he explained.
"It's a pretty amazing sport when you see the top levels

McCargar and Wenckowski have been doubles teammates for the past three years, which has created a familiarity with each other that can give them an edge over opponents and has allowed them to advance to the provincials each year.

Their playing styles are also complementary, said McCargar.

"I've got a lot of quickness and then Colby's got a lot of power," he said. "That together makes us pretty good."

Typically, the two begin training and practising around Christmas-time to get a head start, but this season they were a little late in starting their training.

Given that, the two were fortunate to advance as far as they did, said McCargar

We were quite lucky, I think, to make it (to the provincial finals) this year," he said.

Some of the team's success can likely also be attrib-

uted to coach Ian Taton.

"He's a great coach; very helpful and supportive," said McCargar. "We've been taught how to play the doubles system quite well. We've got good defence and good counter-offence so we frustrate a lot of teams."

Taton also has a calming influence for his players in

the heat of competition, noted McCargar.
"One thing I lack is sometimes composure. I get quite into the games...and when I screw up I get quite angry, said McCargar.

Following his graduation from high school, he plans to continue playing badminton recreationally but hopes to be able to secure a college scholarship playing the

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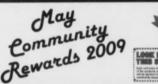
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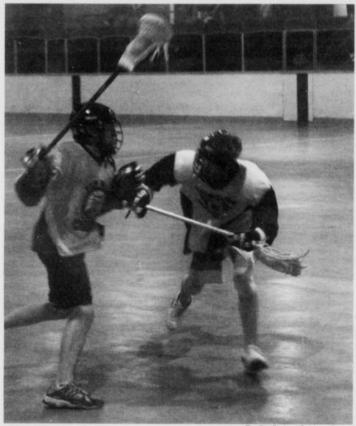


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**DEFENCE** - Anthony Gwilliams of the Didsbury Elks defends against a Red Deer Chiefs attack during Midget lacrosse action at the Didsbury arena on Saturday, May 2. The Elks lost a penalty-filled game by a score of 17-1, with Adam Beukeboom scoring the lone goal for the home

# Runners compete in Spokane

BY TIM DENOUDSTEN Didsbury Review

veral members of the Didsbury High School cross-country team joined over 50,000 runners, joggers and walkers for the 33rd annual Libe Bloomsday Run i Spokane, Wash. on May 3.

The 12-kilometre event provides a valuable training opportunity, said country team coach Mark Leggette, who has made the annual trip for roughly the past seven years.

"It gives the kids an opportunity to see a largescale run and to practise for one," he said, noting that the elite competition and the length of the run allows his runners to push the lim-

its of their endurance.
"Twelve kilometres is a lot more than most of them have ever run at one time," said Leggette. "For them to

get to that point and see that they can do that, it just kind of gets them over that hump."

typically a fall sport, the run also allows team members to get a head start on training.

"This time of the year, some of them are thinking about running on the track, so this gets them started a bit earlier," said Leggette.

"It also helps them think about it as a year-long sport rather than just something they do for six to eight weeks in the fall."

DHS also recently applied for a provincial grant to rubberize its track surface, which Leggette says would help the cross-country program by allowing runners

to train almost year-round. Because of safety concerns, the Didsbury contingent this year consisted of

supervisors instead of the dozen or so that went in previous years.

Nevertheless, he noted that excitement was high among those that did come on the trip, including one DHS cross-country team alumna.

"I've had one girl that went for all four years that she was at the high school and she's graduated and she (came) as a supervisaid Leggette, adding sor, that he hopes that all of his runners will develop a simi-lar enthusiasm for the

sport.
"I'd like it to be a lifelong thing for some of them too, even if they drop it for a while after high school, they can realize that later on they can pick it up and do it," he said.

For more about the Lilac Bloomsday Run Bloomsdayrun.org. Run, visit

# U-17 hockey camp brings best to Carstairs

BY MARK LAYCOCK

The Carstairs Memorial Arena played host to the best U-17 hockey players in southern Alberta last week.

Eighty eager hockey players from across southern Alberta attended Hockey Alberta's U-17 Provincial Camp. This is the first time the camp has been hosted in Carstairs and will also likely the last says Team Alberta co-ordinator Justin Fesyk.

The camp is usually held at the Father David Bauer Arena in Calgary, which is Hockey Alberta's interna-tional training centre. However, due to renova-tions, the association had to find another rink to play at that could accommodate so many players

"So due to that we needed to look for an alternate location and Carstairs was one that came up obviously with the new facility and the town and its proximity to Calgary," explains Fesyk.

Every year Hockey Alberta holds two camps, one in Calgary and one in Edmonton, consisting of 160 kids split between the two camps. Of the total, 80 players are from the U-16 teams and the other 80 are chosen by Hockey Alberta.

At the camps, evaluators chose 46 players that will move on to the U-17 provincial camp. From that batch, the list will be narrowed down again to just 11 players who will join players from B.C to form Team Pacific. That team will move to compete in the World Under 17 Hockey Challenge.

The camp started last Thursday with players hitting the ice Thursday and Friday morning for various training exercise and team building seminars. Games were played for the remainder of the camp until

Fesyk says the camps are an important step for any prospective hockey player to move up to the big leagues

Hockey Canada Program of Excellence, so essentially it's their first stage of identification to potentially play on a world junior team or a national team.

Of the 80 participants,

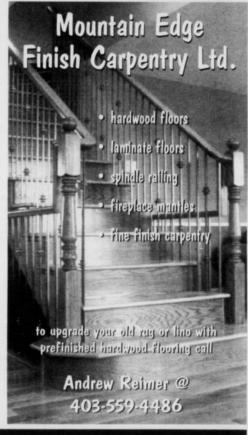
Daulton Siwak of Olds was the only player from the Mountain View region to be selected to compete. Siwak is a draft pick for the Red Deer Rebels and played Midget AAA Hockey in Red Deer.

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# Junior Golf Tour partners with CJG

BY BARRY WILLIAMS For the Review

When the McLennan Ross Sun Junior Golf Tour swings into its 14th sea son at the end of May, the popular series will have a new partner aboard, the Canadian Junior Association.

Effective immediately, any junior boy or girl par-ticipating in any of the McLennan Ross Sun Junior Golf events will be eligible to apply to enter any CJGA tournament without having to join the association.

recent ment, the CJCA indicated artnership with it has entered into a new with the Sun Junior Golf Tour for the benefit of junior golfers across the province

As a result, junior golfers will have the opportunity of participat-ing with both organizations.

"The CJGA is very excited to partner with the McLennan Ross Sun Junior Tour for the upcoming 2009 season," John Lawrence, CJGA director. "We look forward to providing junior golfers in Alberta, the opportunity of experiencing both of our great organizations."

Entering the 2009 sea-son, the McLennan Ross Sun Junior Tour has become a very popular event for junior golfers throughout the province as it provides the golfers the opportunity of developing their golf skills through a series of co-ordinated events offering yet competitive atmosphere.

Although the tourna-



ments are challenging for elite junior golfers, they also provide the younger golfer an opportunity experiencing the trials and tribulations of participating in an organized event.

Tournament organizers try to be careful in ensuring the golfer's experience is valuable in developing and honing their skills.

Throughout the season, tournaments are scheduled at different golf clubs in Alberta as well as British Columbia. A participant can make a decision to play in as many tournaments as he or she likes or just one event.

At each tour event, the golfers are grouped into different age categories

and points are awarded to the top six in each age group. However, there is a limit as to the number of tournaments in which a participant can earn which are accumulated throughout the sea-

At the conclusion of the season, champions each age group will be announced after the tour championship tourna-ment held at Wolf Creek Golf Resort on August 31.

Over the years, a number of area junior golfers have qualified for the Tour Championship. Some of the graduates have used this experience to further their golf career by becoming members of the Canadian Professional

Golf Association.

Others had the opportunity of furthering their education by obtaining golf scholarships. In most the tour has allowed golfers to enjoy the game on an amateur basis by playing the game at a club level.

Dunc Mills of Edmonton served d as the Ross Sun McLennan Junior golf executive director since the tour's inception. Under Mills' direction, the tour has grown by bounds an grown by leaps and bounds and now has expanded into British Columbia with a tour scheduled annually in Golden

With the Golden tournament on board, junior

golfers living in the Kootenay region now have the opportunity of participating in a sanc-tioned tournament relatively close to home

hosting different tournaments at tournaments at the province's premiere golf clubs, the players are exposed to courses featuring different designs that challenge the young golfers at different levels

With an extensive golf background in administration, Mills has served as a director with the Alberta Golf Association as well as the Edmonton Golf Association. He has also golfed competitively. which gives him a very good understanding of how to effectively operate and administer the association's tournaments

Golden will host the first tournament of the 2009 season on Saturday, May 30.

Within the immediate area, the young golfers will compete in Olds on July 7, while on July 14, they will trek to the Carstairs Golf and Carstairs Golf and Country Club to participate in tour event

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> JOHN LAWRENCE CJGA director

The golfers gather at the Innisfail Golf Club on Aug. 10, 2009, which is site for the tour's third last scheduled tournament before heading to Ponoka for the championship tournament.

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(nee Luft) in 1988; his brother Alfred and sister Doris Conway. Walter will be lovingly remembered by his wife Gerta; son Daryl (Pam); daughter Lorna (Gus) Thompson; six grandchildren and eight great grandchildren and two sisters Ruth Konshuh and Alice (Reg) Quantz. The family would also like to extend sincere thanks to all staff at Aspen Lodge, Dr. Jaffer and staff at the Didsbury Hospital for their love and care of Walter while in their midst. A funeral service was held on Tuesday, April 28, 2009 at 2:00 at the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church. Arrangements entrusted to Mountain View Funeral Chapels, Didsbury. Phone 403-335-4773. Proudly serving our community for over 45 years. our community for over 45 years.



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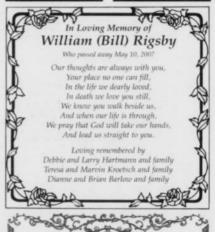
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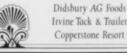
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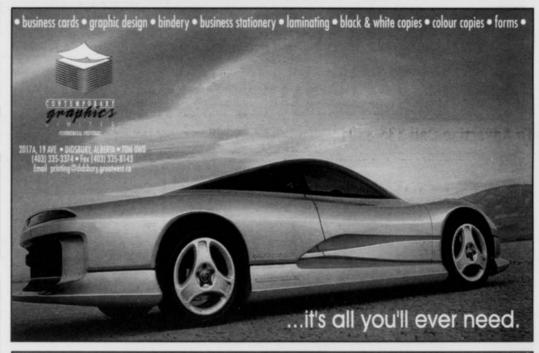






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